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For: **HEXABORIDE PARTICLES, HEXABORIDE PARTICLE DISPERSION, AND  
ARTICLE MAKING USE OF HEXABORIDE PARTICLES OR HEXABORIDE  
PARTICLE DISPERSION**

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination of this application, please amend the  
above-identified patent application as follows: